

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT BRANCH

Washington, D.C. 20570

Via email

February 28, 2022

Re: FOIA Request NLRB-2022-000455

Dear Miranda Kanter (Portland State University):

This is in response to your request, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, received on January 24, 2022, in which you seek, cases with the entity, Inlandboatments's Union/International Longshore & Warehouse Union, Region 37, being a plaintiff or defendant in labor violations. You also requested other regions if listed and operating in Alaska. You requested a fee waiver for this request.

We acknowledged your request on January 24, 2022. In a telephone conversation with a member of my staff on February 28, 2022, you narrowed the scope of your request to a copy of the Excel spreadsheet, which will include the allegations and disposition of each case. You also confirmed you were seeking Inlandboatments's cases in Portland, OR; Seattle, WA; and Alaska. On February 2, 2022, your request for a fee waiver was deemed not billable, given your fee category placement as an educational requester.

Searches of the Agency's electronic casehandling system, NxGen, have been conducted using the entity name "Inlandboatments's", and also using the address for the union. This search has yielded one Excel spreadsheet, which is attached. Your request is, therefore, granted in full.

For the purpose of assessing fees, we have placed you in Category B, as an educational institution that operates a program or programs of scholarly research, NLRB Rules and Regulations, 29 C.F.R. § 102.117(d)(1)(vi). There is no charge assessed for emailed records.

You may contact Lalitta Gillis, the FOIA Specialist who processed your request, at (202) 273-0101 or by email at Lalitta. Gillis@nlrb.gov, as well as the Agency's FOIA Public Liaison, for any further assistance and/or to discuss any aspect of your request. The FOIA Public Liaison, in addition to the FOIA Specialist, can further explain responsive and releasable agency records, suggest agency offices that may have responsive records, and/or discuss how to narrow the

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scope of a request in order to minimize fees and processing times. The contact information for the FOIA Public Liaison is:

FOIA Public Liaison National Labor Relations Board 1015 Half Street, S.E., 4th Floor Washington, D.C. 20570 Email: FOIAPublicLiaison@nlrb.gov

Telephone: (202) 273-0902 Fax: (202) 273-FOIA (3642)

After first contacting the Agency, you may additionally contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA dispute resolution services it offers. The contact information for OGIS is:

Office of Government Information Services National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS College Park, Maryland 20740-6001 Email: ogis@nara.gov

Telephone: (202) 741-5770 Toll free: (877) 684-6448

Fax: (202) 741-5769

You may obtain a review of this determination under the NLRB Rules and Regulations, 29 C.F.R. § 102.117(c)(2)(v), by filing an administrative appeal with the Division of Legal Counsel (DLC) through FOIAonline at: https://foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home or by mail or email at:

Nancy E. Kessler Platt Chief FOIA Officer National Labor Relations Board 1015 Half Street, S.E., 4th Floor Washington, D.C. 20570 Email: DLCFOIAAppeal@nlrb.gov

Any appeal must be postmarked or electronically submitted within 90 days of the date of this letter, such period beginning to run on the calendar day after the date of this letter. Any appeal should contain a complete statement of the reasons upon which it is based.

Please be advised that contacting any Agency official (including the FOIA Specialist, FOIA Officer, or the FOIA Public Liaison) and/or OGIS does not stop FOIA Request NLRB-2022-000455 February 28, 2022 Page 3

the 90-day appeal clock and is not an alternative or substitute for filing an administrative appeal.

Sincerely,

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Attachment: (one Excel spreadsheet)